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London, Monday Oct. 9.

—Mexican silver dollars are now worth only 57 cents. They were worth 65 cents before the United States House of Representatives resolved that it was not profitable to buy western silver coin and leave hundreds of millions of dollars lying unused in the mint vault.

—Ex-Warden Pierson, who has been chosen Liberal candidate for the Legislature in North Bruce, is a popular farmer. For 21 years he has been reeve of the town. He is a clear and convincing speaker, a thorough temperance man, and an ardent promoter of every movement for the advancement of the county during the present generation.

—Sir John Thompson concluded his tour of talking at Glencoe Saturday afternoon. D'Alton McCarthy is the next orator to go on deck. Mr. McCarthy has been called the "scotch snake" by "protectionist" journalists trying to read him out of his party, but at last accounts he refused to regard himself as "scotched."

—While Sir John Thompson is being unmercifully "heckled" by those who desire to get a definite opinion from him on the question of prohibition, Mr. Foster, who has been accustomed to pose as the chief apostle of temperance, is prancing up and down the Midway Plaisance at Chicago. Why did Mr. Foster desert his chief moment that "heckling" on this topic began?

—With lumber so scarce throughout a wide area of the Northwest, it is to be regretted that some effective steps cannot be taken to prevent the forest fires in Northwest Manitoba which have done immense damage. The dispatches lay the blame on the Indians, who are said to fire the woods in order to get at the game. Surely the Indians could be taught to give up this short-sighted expedient. It would pay the people to feed the Indians altogether rather than let them destroy so much property while in quest of sustenance.

—The Inter-State Commerce Commission of the United States, in its fifth report now issued, finds that on June 30 last the total railway mileage of the United States was 173,563, an increase of 3,160 miles during the year. The total number of railway corporations was 1,122, of locomotives 33,136 and of cars 1,215,092. The number of passengers carried during the year was 560,858,211. Of railway employees there were 821,415 an increase of 37,130 over last year. The gross earnings from operation of railways during the year were \$1,711,407,343. The operating expenses were \$780,997,906. The capital value of the railway lines was \$10,226,746,134. Fewer employees were killed than in the previous year, the number being 2,554. Over 28,000 employees were injured, and 376 passengers were killed and 3,227 injured. It is proved from this that only one person in about 1,500,000 passengers is killed. The railway affords pretty safe traveling after all.

—The United States taxpayers have been paying many millions of dollars annually in payment of civil war pensions, and the settlement of these claims has had much to do with the heavy taxation of our neighbors in the past twenty years. But the high water mark has been reached, and from now onward it is expected that the annual amount to be expended on pensioners will steadily decrease. On July 1, 1893, according to a report just issued from the Pension Bureau, there were 966,012 pensioners of all kinds on the rolls. On Sept. 1, 1893, two months afterwards, there were only 964,393, showing a net decrease during that time of 1,604 pensioners. This is an average net decrease of 807 per month, and if extended through the year would show a net decrease of 9,684. This is the first time in 33 years since the war that a net decrease has been shown. It is estimated at the bureau that the loss to the rolls during the present fiscal year by death, remarriages, minors

reaching the non-pensionable age, etc., will reach 60,000, as against 35,000 last year. And it is not thought that the additions to the rolls will reach much more than 40,000. The sum now expended for war pensions is over \$160,000,000.

—It is now seen that it was fear of "heckling" and of being compelled to acknowledge the weakness of their case that moved the so-called Controllers in the Dominion Government to hold their tariff interviews with farmers and others in private. If these investigations had been held in public, it would have been impossible for the "protectionist" agents to burk them, or to deny the accuracy of the spy "heckling" that took place whenever they undertook to argue with the tariff-afflicted populace. These itinerant members of the Government are not contented to hear evidence, they argue with and brow-beat the witnesses, and attempt to ridicule them into taking the high tax view. The force is longer than a Chinese play, but even to those who only hear the echoes from outside the sealed chamber it is extremely ludicrous.

—The long and stubborn fight over the repeal of the silver purchase measure in the United States Senate is now believed to be nearing an end. It is proposed by the Administration leaders to keep the Senate in session all night on Wednesday and on Thursday and during the succeeding night if necessary. If during these 24 or 25 or 48 hours, if need be, the resisters stand shoulder to shoulder without flinching; if they remain in their seats and force the other side to do all the fighting the silver map will become so discouraged that they will, it is believed, lose their nerve and run. After that it will be a rout and the citadel will soon capitulate. If this method is followed out the resisters may succeed in forcing the vote which the advocates of compulsory coinage of silver, in connection with "protectionist" senators, have staved off for so long a period. The physical exertion necessary to remain in the house without rest for so long a period suggests a Chinese method of punishment meted out to a criminal. He is kept awake by his guard till he dies. If he lives two weeks he almost always becomes a raving maniac. Some senators that we know of would not take that length of time to reach the lunacy stage.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC COMMISSION.

The Dominion "Royal Commission on the Liquor Traffic" will hold a meeting in the council chamber, City Hall, this city, on Friday next at 10 a.m. Though little confidence is placed in the commission by temperance men, it is advisable that when the commissioners sit here there should be no lack of evidence in favor of the temperance side of the liquor question. Those of our readers who are in a position to give evidence should be ready to do so on the day named.

THE TEST IN RELIGIONS.

The Parliament of Religions has been brought to a close, and many people are asking if any practical result has flowed from the strange and unusual gathering. What immediate results were expected? No vote was taken on any subject discussed, but it has to be admitted that the leaders of thought in the various parts of the world made their systems of religion better understood. These other religions, whether they be regarded by Christians as wholly or partially false, give consolation and hope and some idea of the problem of existence to hundreds of millions of people, and for this reason no harm could come from having a clear statement regarding them placed side by side with that of the religion adhered to by the Western world. It is well that popular misconceptions regarding "heathenism" have been exposed, for great injury may be done to a reforming cause by the promulgation of false views of a system attacked. The cementing and civilizing influences of the congress were probably its chief features. That aspect of the gathering is well put forward by Principal Grant, of Queen's College, Kingston, who was a delegate to it. Writing to the Canada Presbyterian, Dr. Grant says: "The occasion was altogether unprecedented. In no other age of the world's history could such a congress have been convened. The ends of the world have been brought together. Steam and electricity are annihilating time and space. Commerce and British rule have made our speech the language of progressive men in our points of view have taken place and other changes are impending, and the Christianity has already proved itself divine, by surviving shocks that would have destroyed it, had it been merely of human origin, shall we admit that its divine power is exhausted and that it can adopt itself to present conditions, or shall we not rather boldly, and in the spirit of our reforming fathers, employ new methods to meet the new age in which we live? There can be no doubt what the answer of the believer must be. He stands as ready to adapt his methods to the new order of things as a good soldier is to throw away his bow and arrow for Brown Bess and Brown Bess for arms of precision and smokeless powder. At a conference with men like Mozambique, he feels it absurd to talk about non-essentials or disputed points of doctrine, ritual or government. He has to get down at once to business."

How easy Christian Union for the overthrow of evil can be accomplished when the people set about it in the right spirit is shown in this extract from Principal Grant's testimony: "Every morning the vast audience

united in praise. Never did I hear the long metre doxology sung with more fervor. Then, on the first day, Cardinal Gibbons led us in the words of the Lord's Prayer. On another day we were led by a Presbyterian, on another by an Anglican, on another by a Methodist, and so on. I envy not the man whose heart and soul did not exult with joy as he joined in these devotions, or the man who would seek from them only the gratification of denominational pride, or use them for the purpose of taunting others with inconsistency. There are inconsistencies for which we should only thank God and praise men. And I mention the attitude of the liberal party in the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, simply to praise it, and because it puts to shame the reactionary attitude and tone of some who call themselves Presbyterians. To quote language which I used in my second address and which was listened to respectfully by bishops and prelates on the platform and in the audience: The Democratic principle has now triumphed in the church as well as in society. The most despotic and the most aristocratically constituted churches admit it and pay homage to it as the real king. Can we ask for a more significant illustration of the fact than this parliament itself? And now that democracy has triumphed, the question is, shall the children of those who fought and bled in its cause, who stood by the dark and cloudy day, when no man regarded, be afraid of it or take to it, when perhaps their aid is needed more than ever? For, democracy does not mean disorder in Church or in State. It must be organized, and it must be for leadership and organization; but it demands that those who would be its guides shall trust it; for they who do not trust may betray."

Did Christianity hold its own in contrast with the other religions? Most assuredly. Some good people were astounded at the idea of permitting Christianity to be placed in comparison with the religion of the Hindoo or of Mahomet. But it suffered nothing in consequence, Christianity can claim to be the religion of progress, enlightenment and happiness. It is not true that western civilization would have worked out its destiny as well under Hinduism as under Christianity. It was proved beyond all doubt at Chicago, as it has been proved in the experience of millions, that however well satisfied eastern nations may be with their religious, Christianity is the chief corner stone of a civilization advanced and adapted to the wants of the people as no civilization has been since the world began. Honest and united effort in forwarding its tenets and in combatting wrongdoing is what is needed in its several branches to-day, and if the congress has done nothing more than to demonstrate how easily this co-operation can be established it will have accomplished a great work.

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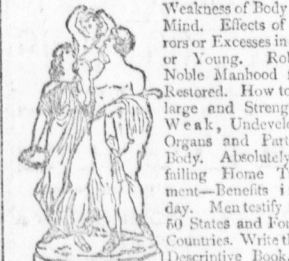
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